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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

This amendment is in response to an office action dated June 5, 2002. Kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on Page 1, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--1. U.S. application Serial Number 09/939,936 filed in the name of Rodney L. Miller et al. and entitled "INK JET PRINTER WITH IMPROVED DRY TIME" and now U.S. Patent 6,464,330; and--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on Page 1, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--2. U.S. application Serial Number 09/940,224 filed in the name of James Newkirk et al. and entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INCREASING NUMBER OF AVAILABLE PRINTING GRADATIONS ON AN

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